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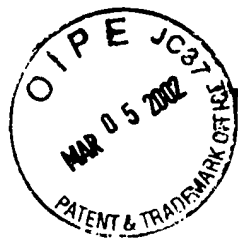
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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
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PART 2 - COPY TO BE RETURNED WITH RESPONSE

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Markus Loecher et al.

Docket No.: 2000P09073 US01

Serial No.: 10/017,014

Filed: December 14, 2001

Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING A POLYNOMIAL BASED VIRTUAL AGE ESTIMATION FOR REMAINING LIFETIME PREDICTION OF A SYSTEM



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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION --  
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This is a response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application having a mailing date of January 18, 2002 and for which a period for response of two (2) months from the mailing date of said Notice was set to expire March 18, 2002.

Enclosed is a Declaration by the present Inventors attached to a copy of the Application filed December 14, 2001. Also enclosed is a copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-2179 for the surcharge of \$130.00 in accordance with 37 CFR 1.16(e). Triplicate copies of this Response are enclosed. Issuance of a formal Filing Receipt is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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